

#### **Integrated Award Environment**

**Industry Day 12** 



**U.S. General Services Administration** 



#### Improving the Current SAM.gov

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Improving the Current SAM.gov

#### **Agenda**

SAM.gov Q2 FY17 Quarterly Release

- Enhancements
- Other Focus Areas
- Release Notes

https://www.sam.gov/sam/transcript/S AM\_Release\_Notes\_2017\_02\_24.pdf





#### What We Did to...

#### Improve User Experience

for users of the current SAM.gov

### **Increase Data Quality**

for interfacing systems

### **Ensure Regulatory Compliance**

with changing policy and guidelines



User Experience: SAM.gov Homepage

- Redesigned the SAM Homepage, website main navigation bar, and website footer
- Provides a more userfriendly entrance point to help users:
  - Easily navigate the website
  - Create a user account
  - Register their entity
  - Search for records



User **Experience:** SAM.gov Homepage



Username Password Log In Forgot Username? Forgot Password? Create an Account

SEARCH RECORDS DATA ACCESS CHECK STATUS

The System for Award Management (SAM) is an official website of the U.S. government. There is no cost to use SAM. You can use this site for FREE to:

- · Register to do business with the U.S. government
- · Update or renew your entity registration
- · Check status of an entity registration
- · Search for entity registration and exclusion records

#### **Getting Started**

Create A User Account



Start by creating a SAM user account.

Register Entity



After creating your SAM user account, log in to register to do business with the U.S. government.

Search Records



Do a public search for existing entity registration records or exclusion records.

Federal users can log in to see additional information.



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Search Records Disclaimers Data Access Check Status About Help

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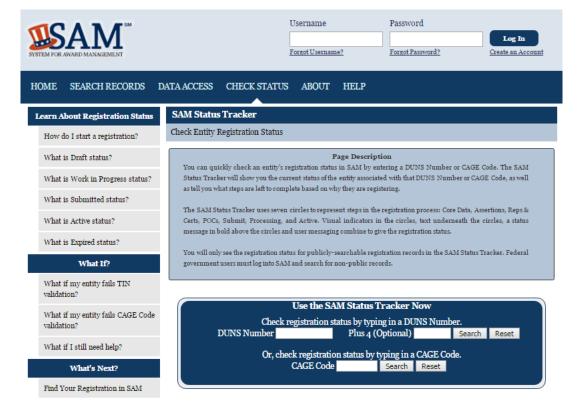


User Experience: Check Status

- Added the SAM Status
   Tracker to the main
   navigation bar
- Allows users to quickly check their entity registration status without logging into the system



User **Experience: Check Status** 





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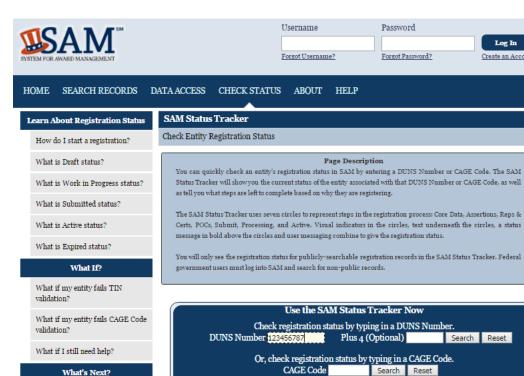
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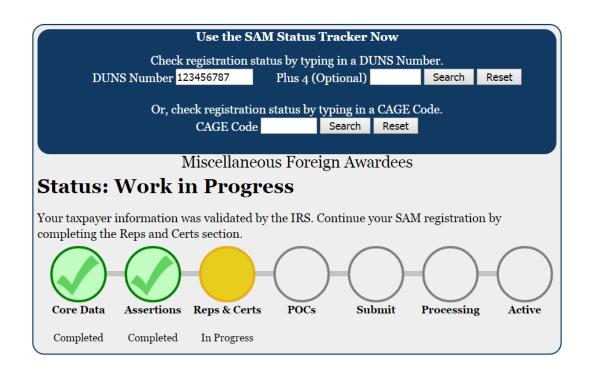
Find Your Registration in SAM

Username Password Log In Forgot Username? Forgot Password? Create an Account Check Entity Registration Status Page Description You can quickly check an entity's registration status in SAM by entering a DUNS Number or CAGE Code. The SAM Status Tracker will show you the current status of the entity associated with that DUNS Number or CAGE Code, as well as tell you what steps are left to complete based on why they are registering. The SAM Status Tracker uses seven circles to represent steps in the registration process: Core Data, Assertions, Reps &





User Experience: Check Status





- Enabled editing of the taxpayer address and taxpayer information fields on the IRS Consent page during a registration update or renewal
- Increases quality of consent data provided to IRS



#### Only use letters, numbers, spaces, hyphens (-), and ampersands (2:); omit Taxpayer Name\*: any other special characters that are part of your Taxpayer Name. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN): Taxpayer Address: COPY MAILING ADDRESS COPY PHYSICAL ADDRESS Address Line 1\*: Address Line 2: City\*: MICHIGAN State/Province\*: ZIP/Postal Code\*: UNITED STATES Country\*: Type of Tax: Applicable Federal Tax Tax Year (YYYY)\*: (Insert Most Recent Tax Year) Name of Individual Executing Consent\*: Title of the Individual Executing Consent\*: Signature\*: Enter your MPIN here Date\*:

Provide Taxpayer Information:

CANCEL

SAVE AND CONTINUE



- Updated the page description, Consent to Disclosure of Tax Information, and TIN Match Instructions on the IRS Consent page
- Provides more clear direction to users for properly executing the consent



#### Page Description

Please carefully read the "Consent to Disclosure of Tax Information" on this page. Follow the instructions to provide the Taxpayer Information required for the most current tax year reported.

Upon completion of this page, all information required to perform the TIN Match will be sent to the IRS. Confirm all information is accurate before selecting Save and Continue. You will not be able to edit this page while the TIN Match is being performed.

Mandatory fields are marked with an asterisk or star symbol. Complete all mandatory fields before continuing to the next page.

#### CONSENT TO DISCLOSURE OF TAX INFORMATION

By entering my Marketing Partner Identification Number (MPIN) as my Signature below, pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 6103(c), I hereby authorize the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to validate and disclose to the officers and employees of the System for Award Management (SAM) Program Office whether the name and/or name control and Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) provided for this registration matches or does not match the name and/or name control and TIN maintained in the IRS files for in the most current tax year reported.

I recognize this IRS-validated name and TIN, which is either my Employer Identification Number (EIN) or my Social Security Number (SSN) if I am a Sole Proprietor who chooses to use my SSN instead of getting an EIN or a single-member Limited Liability Company classified as a disregarded entity, will reside in SAM and will be accessible to Federal government procurement officials and other Government personnel performing managerial review and oversight for use in all Governmental business activities including tax reporting requirements and debt collection. By providing the taxpayer information below in support of this TIN Match, I certify that I have the authority to execute this consent for disclosure for this tax return information.



FAR 52.209-7 & FAR 52.204-10

- Added a statement to the Representations and Certifications (Reps & Certs) review page and Reps & Certs PDF
- Clarifies that by having an active registration the user has complied with the certain reporting requirements



Regulatory
Compliance:
FAR 52.209-7 &
FAR 52.204-10

The FAR and DFARS provisions shown below have been populated based on data you provided earlier in your registration. Please open and review each provision before you proceed from this page. If you need to correct any data, a link will be provided to the relevant page for editing.

By maintaining an active entity registration in SAM, the entity complied with requirements to report proceedings data in accordance with FAR 52.209-7 Information Regarding Responsibility Matters and with requirements to report executive compensation data in accordance with FAR 52.204-10 Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards.

FAR 52.203-2: Certificate of Independent Price Determination.

FAR 52.204-3: Taxpayer Identification

FAR 52.204-5: Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business)

FAR 52.204-17: Ownership or Control of Offeror

FAR 52.204-20: Predecessor of Offeror

FAR 52.209-2: Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations-Representation

FAR 52.209-5: Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters

FAR 52.200-11: Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law



Implemented FAR Case 2015-024

Updated FAR 52.212-3 to include paragraph (t) containing the new Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas **Emissions** and Reduction Goals -Representation



Implemented FAR Case 2015-024

- (t) Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals. Applies in all solicitations that require offerors to register in SAM (52.212-1(k)).
  - (1) This representation shall be completed if the Offeror received \$7.5 million or more in contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year. The representation is optional if the Offeror received less than \$7.5 million in Federal contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year.
  - (2) Representation. [Offeror to check applicable block(s) in paragraph (t)(2)(i) and (ii)].
    - (i) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) does, does not publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions, i.e., makes available on a publicly accessible Web site the results of a greenhouse gas inventory, performed in accordance with an accounting standard with publicly available and consistently applied criteria, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard.
    - (ii) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) does, does not publicly disclose a quantitative greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal, i.e., make available on a publicly accessible Web site a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.
    - (iii) A publicly accessible Web site includes the Offeror's own Web site or a recognized, third-party greenhouse gas emissions reporting program.
  - (3) If the Offeror checked "does" in paragraphs (t)(2)(i) or (t)(2)(ii) of this provision, respectively, the Offeror shall provide the publicly accessible Web site(s) where greenhouse gas emissions and/or reduction goals are reported:\_\_\_\_\_\_



Implemented FAR Case 2015-012

- Updated FAR 52.212-3 to include paragraph (u) **Prohibition on Contracting** with Entities That Require Certain Internal **Confidentiality Agreements** or Statements -Representation
- Included the same representation in a new read-only provision for FAR 52.203-18



Implemented FAR
Case 2015-012

(u)(1) In accordance with section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions), Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with an entity that requires employees or subcontractors of such entity seeking to report waste, fraud, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

- (2) The prohibition in paragraph (u)(1) of this provision does not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement), Form 4414 (Sensitive Compartmented Information Nondisclosure Agreement), or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.
- (3) Representation. By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that it will not require its employees or subcontractors to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse related to the performance of a Government contract to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information (e.g., agency Office of the Inspector General).



Accessibility Improvements

- Removed several incorrect mandatory field markers
- Improved accessibility on the Exclusion Details page
- Improved tabbing navigation on the Cross-Reference page of an exclusion record



**Exclusions Management** 

- Streamlined submission of multiple exclusion records via Exclusion Uploader
- Updated content and formatting of Quick Start Guide for Exclusions



#### **Other Focus**

**Areas:** 

**Entity** 

Registrations

- Fixed a display issue for hyphenated, non-U.S. postal codes
- Fixed an issue causing the physical address to be removed from some U.S. government registrations on update
- Fixed a Print Summary issue



Manage Entity
Core Data

- Resolved an issue impacting the state displayed for some Congressional Districts
- Updated most current tax year validation rule on IRS Consent page
- Fixed a CAGE Code issue tied to changing purpose of registration



Manage Entity
Reps & Certs

- Fixed a display issue in FAR 52.212-3(I)(4) for certain government entities
- Resolved a certifier's name display issue
- Updated language at FAR 52.212-3(s) to reflect court order



Service Contract Reporting

- Updated data access pages to reflect final Service Contract Report for Fiscal Year 2016
- Report available for those users with access to For Official Use Only (FOUO) information



Manage Entity
Users

- Fixed an issue with recurring sub-headers on the Manage User Roles page
- Improved performance on the User Information page by removing redundant data



Other Focus

**Areas:** 

**Search Records** 

 Fixed an issue where the "Clear Search" button was not clearing the main navigation search bar found across each page for authenticated users



**View Records** 

 Fixed an issue where users with an Entity Viewer role were unable to view their entity on the Existing **Entity Registration page** if it had opted out of public search



**System Accounts** 

 Improved usability by implementing a Password Requirement validation pop-up for System Account password resets



# Other Focus Areas: Public API

- Updated API field names to fix several typos and to clarify elements
- Updated SAM Search API's Advanced Search to return inactive records if they otherwise meet the search criteria



Web Services & Extracts

- Re-engineered the SAM Entity
   Management Web Service to near-real time refresh rate
- Fixed a Geographic
   Area Served display
   issue in the SAM Entity
   Management web
   service response



# Other Focus Areas: Sitewide

- Updated the sitewide navigation logic for invalid username to improve usability
- Users are now consistently taken to the Invalid Credentials page and an updated error message is displayed



### **Incremental Improvement**

User Experience



**Data Quality** 

Regulatory Compliance



### Questions



### Thank you for attending

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